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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

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SPORES, OR

MICROORGANISMS

Customer No.: 20350

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**AMENDMENT** 

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed March 24, 2004, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.